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**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 3600**

PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Bruce MCGARIAN ) **Mail Stop AF**  
Application No.: 09/937,399 ) Group Art Unit: 3672  
For: WHIPSTOCK CASING MILLING SYSTEM ) Examiner: J. H. GAY

Commissioner for Patents  
**Mail Stop AF**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 10, 2003, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the period of response to which extends to February 10, 2004, entry of the following Amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.